

**38633. FERULA sp. Apiaceæ.****Asafetida.**

From Teheran, Persia. Presented by Mr. Craig W. Wadsworth, American consul general. Received June 19, 1914.

"Ferula, which produces the asafetida of commerce, growing in the neighborhood of Meshed and Kerman. I wrote to the former place, but was unable to obtain the seed; however, one of our missionaries at Meshed, with the assistance of the British consul, succeeded in obtaining these roots." (*Wadsworth*.)

**38634 to 38637.**

From Guayaquil, Ecuador. Presented by Mr. Frederic W. Goding, American consul general. Received June 20, 1914. Quoted notes by Mr. Goding.

**38634. ACHRADELPHIA MAMMOSA (L.) Cook. Sapotaceæ. Sapote.**  
(*Lucuma mammosa* Gaertn. f.)

For previous introductions and description, see S. P. I. Nos. 35673 and 37813.

**38635. ANNONA SQUAMOSA L. Annonaceæ. Sugar-apple.**

"The fruit is the size of an orange, with pale-green skin, the markings of which resemble dressed alligator hide. Within, the appearance and taste resemble the other species. It grows on a bush found in the low coastal districts of Ecuador."

**38636. CYPHOMANDRA BETACEA (Cav.) Sendt. Solanaceæ.****Tree tomato.**

"Seeds of a fruit locally called '*Tomate de arbol*,' found growing in the lowlands, but will stand a certain degree of frost. This tree tomato grows on a tree of good proportions, about 10 feet high. The fruit, ovoid in shape, about the size of a small peach, is of a bright reddish color; the skin, the interior divisions of them, the seeds, and the taste are almost identical with those of the ordinary tomato."

**38637. PRUNUS SALICIFOLIA H. B. K. Amygdalaceæ. Wild cherry.**

"Seeds of a fruit locally called *capulies*, found growing in the lowlands, but will stand a certain degree of frost. This wild cherry grows on a large tree from which very hard lumber is made. It is said to be proof against insect borers and is used extensively where a strong and durable material is required. The fruit is pleasant to the taste."

**38638 to 38640. PERSEA AMERICANA Miller. Lauraceæ.**

(*Persea gratissima* Gaertn. f.)

**Avocado.**

From Antigua, Guatemala. Collected by Mr. O. F. Cook, of the Bureau of Plant Industry. Received June 19, 1914.

From the same tree as the bud wood (S. P. I. No. 38549).

38638. No. 1.

38640. No. 3.

38639. No. 2.

**38641 and 38642. PASSIFLORA spp. Passifloraceæ.****Passion fruit.**

From Bogota, Colombia. Presented by Capt. H. R. Lemly, U. S. Army, retired. Received June 24, 1914. Quoted notes by Capt. Lemly.